

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

October 23, 2007

President George W. Bush  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, DC 20504

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing in support of Governor Sonny Perdue's October 20, 2007 request for a major disaster declaration in Georgia as a result of prolonged drought conditions.

The Governor is requesting Public Assistance Categories B, D, and F, including direct Federal assistance, for 85 counties and Hazard Mitigation statewide. The Governor further requested your assistance to implement exemptions to the Endangered Species Act.

Georgia is experiencing the worst drought in our state's history. The dry, hot weather combined with management of our river systems has left water supplies at a critical level. This drought threatens the drinking water supply and health of our constituents, as well as the economic vitality and stability of our state. We urge you to expeditiously review Governor Perdue's request and grant this declaration as soon as possible.

We appreciate your attention to this urgent matter, and stand ready to work with you in any way possible.

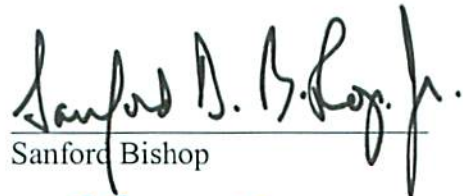
Sincerely,

  
Saxby Chambliss

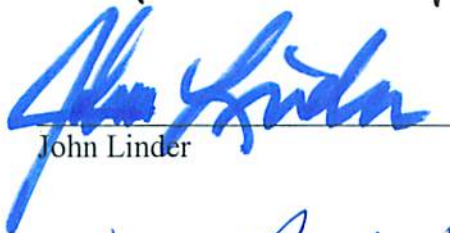
  
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